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Wildfire Fact Sheet

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Summary: The Taylor Mountain Road Fire located 10 miles north of Vernal, Utah, ignited on Saturday, July 5, 2014 and is currently under investigation. Fire suppression operations are being managed by a Type 3 Incident Management Team. Today, fire crews will work to further secure the perimeter and establish a containment line along the remaining fire perimeter. To date, the fire has burnt

3,126 acres (acreage changed due to more accurate mapping) and is 50% contained. All evacuations have been lifted. Highway 191, Steinaker Reservoir, and Taylor Mountain Road are now open to thru traffic only. As firefighters continue to make progress, fire officials request the public's assistance in keeping the area clear for fire crews to work and use extra caution with the increased fire traffic in these areas. Public and firefighter safety is the first priority.

Start Date: Saturday, July 5, 2014

Location: 10 Miles North of Vernal, Utah

GPS Coordinates: 40.53333, -109.58333

Jurisdiction: BLM

Fire Size: 3,126 acres (Due to more accurate mapping)

Cause: Under Investigation

Fire Behavior: smoldering and creeping

Closures: Taylor Mountain Road restricted to thru traffic only

Structures: 3 structures lost, a number of outbuildings impacted

Percent Contained: 50%

Fuels: Grass, Brush, Pinyon-Juniper Trees

Fire Crews/Resources: 4 hand crews, 7 engines, 3 helicopters, and 15 overhead personnel

Evacuations: None

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